

**WEATHER FORECAST.**  
Local showers and probably thunder-  
showers to-day; to-morrow fair.  
Highest temperature yesterday, 89; lowest, 73.  
Detailed weather reports will be found on editorial page.

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# HEAT'S DEATH TOLL OVER A DOZEN, WITH SCORE PROSTRATED

Official Temperature Close  
to 90, but Street Observers  
Report Bulb Hovering  
Around 100 Degrees.

10 DROWNINGS LISTED  
Beaches, Parks, Piers, Play-  
grounds Thronged With  
Persons Seeking Relief  
From Stifling Air.

CONEY A REFUGEE CAMP  
Woman Tries Suicide Off Bat-  
tery Sea Wall—Body of Chi-  
nese Is Found Floating  
in Bronx River.

More than a score of persons in and  
about New York were overcome yester-  
day, and at least twelve lost their  
lives from drowning and other acci-  
dents indirectly due to the heat. The  
second day of the city's second hot  
spell of the season, while not the hot-  
test, was certainly the most uncom-  
fortable so far this summer.

At midnight the temperature, which  
was 89 degrees at 5 o'clock, had  
dropped to 82 degrees. The Weather  
Bureau offered no promise of relief for  
the next forty-eight hours. Probable  
thunder showers to-day, fair to-mor-  
row with moderate south winds and  
no change in temperature was the  
prediction.

Although 89 degrees was the official  
record for the day, it was registered in  
the comparatively cool tower of the  
Whitehall Building, 200 feet above the  
steaming sidewalks of lower Broad-  
way. In the street the mercury rose  
to 95 and 100 degrees in the shade.  
The unusual number of prostrations  
was due probably to the prolonged  
heat wave, the weather forecasters said.

The beaches, parks, piers and play-  
grounds were thronged throughout the  
day, and thousands abandoned their beds  
to sleep in the open. Mayor Hylan  
wrote to the recreation committee to  
throw open the piers to the public and  
"keep off the grass" signs were disre-  
garded. At midnight Central Park  
looked like a refugee camp, and the  
sands at Coney Island, Brighton and  
Rockaway beaches also were crowded  
with sleepers.

**Drownings Are Numerous.**  
With hundreds of thousands seeking  
the water for relief drownings were in-  
evitable. At midnight the number re-  
ported was ten.

John Keaney, 17 years old, 846 Glen-  
more avenue, Brooklyn, was drowned  
while swimming off a pier in Jamaica  
Bay at the foot of Crescent street.  
Henry Bethon, 13, 2811 Evergreen  
avenue, Ridgewood, was drowned in  
Ridgewood Reservoir.

Two brothers, John and Desmond  
O'Connor, were drowned at Manhattan  
Beach at a point not far from the bat-  
hing pavilion. They had gone with their  
family to camp on the beach during the  
heat wave. One of the bodies was re-  
covered last night.

Two Brooklyn boys who went camp-  
ing over the Fourth at Bear Mountain  
were drowned in the lake. They were  
Edward Benjamin, 17, of 475 Pennsylv-  
ania avenue, a student at Manual  
Training High School, and Joseph B.  
Bodakine, 17, of 473 Pennsylvania ave-  
nue, who has attended Boys' High  
School, Brooklyn.

Seth Shepard of Washington, a son of  
former Chief Justice Shepard of the  
District of Columbia Court of Appeals,  
was drowned in the Myrtle River at  
Nauk, Conn., near New London. He  
was working on board his yacht when he  
was attacked by heart disease and fell  
into the river.

Two drownings were reported from  
the Ponaganset Reservoir in Connec-  
ticut. Mildred Capron, 15 years old, and  
her brother of Oneco, Conn., went be-  
hind their bath and were drowned be-  
fore their bathers could rescue them.

A woman describing herself as Lizzie  
Carroll, 45, of 141 Madison street, at-  
tempted suicide by drowning. She  
jumped from the Battery Sea Wall into  
the Bay.

Lieut. Thomas Foley and Fireman  
Charles Turbett of Engine 67, on duty  
aboard the fireboat George B. McClel-  
len at the Battery, jumped into the  
water and dragged her out.

**Two Bodies Are Recovered.**  
The police recovered the bodies of two  
drowned persons during the day. One  
was a woman identified as Mary  
Thompson, an inmate of the City Hospi-  
tal on Blackwell's Island.

The other body was an unidentified  
Chinese, found floating in the Bronx  
River near the Lorillard estate by three  
boys.

One death from heat prostration and  
several persons overcome were reported  
to the police in Newark. The victim  
was Thomas McElhose, 50 years old, of  
236 Washington street.

Edward Smith, 37, of 119 Ninth ave-  
nue, went to the roof to sleep yesterday  
and made his bed close to the edge.  
After falling asleep he rolled over and  
dropped to the courtyard below. Dr.  
O'Brien of New York Hospital, summoned  
by neighbors, pronounced Smith dead.

Heat prostrations increased as the  
mercury rose. Ambulances were kept  
busy throughout the city. The tempera-  
ture was 89 degrees at 3 o'clock. The  
humidity, which had been as high as 88  
early in the day, declined by mid-after-  
noon to 60. At 6 o'clock it was ascend-  
ing again, and the temperature remained  
the same.

**GORDON DRY GINGER ALE.**  
Perfection of Quality. Acme, Merrill & Con-  
dell, Co., Charles & Co., Alex. Wilson and  
others. Clubs, hotels and restaurants—Ad-  
v.

## Mr. and Mrs. Harding Married Thirty Years

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK  
HERALD.  
New York Herald Bureau,  
Washington, D. C., July 8.  
PRESIDENT AND MRS. HAR-  
DING to-day celebrated the  
thirtieth anniversary of their  
marriage, which took place at  
Marion, Ohio.

There was no formal enter-  
tainment at the White House,  
the President and Mrs. Harding  
passing the day quietly.

## FERGUSON READY TO QUIT SCHOOL BOARD

Hylan's Appointee Sees No  
Hope of Improving De-  
plorable Conditions.

Dr. John A. Ferguson of 932 Bush-  
wick avenue, Brooklyn, who was ap-  
pointed by his neighbor Mayor Hylan  
a year ago as a member of the Board  
of Education, is so disgusted with the  
failure of the board to make progress  
in improving the city's schools that he  
is ready to throw up the sponge. He  
told a reporter for THE NEW YORK  
HERALD yesterday that his personal in-  
spection of the school buildings con-  
firms in virtually all particulars the  
charges of unsanitary conditions and  
lack of repair made by the civic or-  
ganizations, that he has been unable  
to make any appreciable progress to-  
ward remedying these conditions be-  
cause the city has not provided the  
money, and that the Hylan \$52,000,000  
building programme has hung fire  
through hindrances of various sorts  
until he feels ready to hand his resig-  
nation to the Mayor.

"I have not tendered my formal resig-  
nation yet, but I do not know that I  
shall," he said. "I am willing to serve  
the city if I can, but I cannot waste  
any more time getting nowhere. I have  
a living to make."

Dr. Ferguson's charges indicated that  
virtually all of the Hylan school pro-  
gramme is on paper only. Dr. Ferguson  
was largely instrumental in pushing  
through the Board of Estimate the \$50-  
000,000 appropriation for school build-  
ing almost four years after Mayor  
Hylan's campaign promises. Yet, he  
says, since the appropriation went  
through delay after delay has prevented  
the city from benefiting in buildings  
erected.

Regarding his inability to obtain im-  
provement of conditions in existing  
schools, Dr. Ferguson said that the  
trouble is lack of money. That state-  
ment from the board members is in the  
face of the boast of the Mayor that his  
administration has done more for the  
improvement of existing buildings than  
any other administration. In answer to  
questions Dr. Ferguson admitted fran-  
kly that only half of the Hylan appropria-  
tion for maintenance and repairs for  
this year has been made available and  
that that half was forthcoming only a  
month ago—after the condition of the  
school buildings had been exposed by the  
civic organizations.

"But the money appropriated this year  
wouldn't be a start," Dr. Ferguson said.  
"Even if it had all been made available  
at once, it would take \$150,000,000 to  
provide a seat for every school child in  
the city. You can't say too strongly that  
what the city needs is a special school  
tax."

## FORMER KAISER FIGHTS BEING TAXED AT DOORN

He Also Objects to Income  
Levy by Dutch.  
LONDON, July 9 (Saturday).—Former  
Emperor William is in conflict with the  
Municipal Council at Doorn over the  
question of paying local taxes and the  
pressure of the law is threatening to en-  
force payment, according to a Doorn  
despatch to the Daily Mail. The former  
Emperor is said to contend that the  
municipality is not entitled to demand  
the tax levied against him because he  
came to Holland "unwittingly" and is  
practically held a prisoner, therefore he  
is not liable to taxation like a free  
citizen.

The ex-Emperor, it is added, has also  
protested against the income tax, which  
he was forced last October to accept  
from the Dutch Government.

## LIGHTNING AT ONEONTA KILLS MAN AND WOMAN

Storm Causes Heavy Damage  
Up-State.  
ONEONTA, N. Y., July 8.—Two persons  
were killed here to-night when the most  
severe electrical storm of the season  
struck the city. Lightning struck a  
woman who was working in a hay field  
and a few minutes later a second bolt  
killed a circus employee. A third bolt  
shattered the steeple of the Baptist  
Church.

Despatches from Elmira reported that  
a wind, hail and heavy rain storm swept  
that town about the same time, knocking  
down telegraph poles and damaging to-  
bacco crops.

At Gloversville telephone and electric  
service were crippled and crops dam-  
aged.

The storm swept Johnstown, too. Several  
dwellings were damaged.

**KILLED BY BATTED BALL.**  
Knocked Unconscious, Recovers  
for Inning, Dies in Hospital.  
EVERETT, MASS., July 8.—Knocked un-  
conscious by being hit on the head by a  
batted ball, James Gannon recovered  
sufficiently to play another inning in a  
game between semi-professional teams  
here to-day.

Then he collapsed and was rushed to  
a hospital in Boston, where he died to-  
night. He was 21 years old.

## TWO MORE CHILDREN STOLEN IN N. J.; FIRST ONE STILL IS MISSING

Mrs. R. E. Woodland Sus-  
pects Husband Had Part  
in Kidnaping.

SEPARATED FROM HIM  
Strangers Made Friends  
With Her and Took Lit-  
tle Ones to Beach.

MONEY LEFT TO THEM  
Police Watch Boats for Cuba  
in Hope of Recovering  
Torrens Baby.

While the cities and hills of northern  
New Jersey and even the piers of New  
York were being searched yesterday for  
the kidnapped baby, Margaret  
Eloyse Torrens, carried off on Thurs-  
day from the summer home of her  
grandfather, James Simpson, near  
Pompton Lakes, it became known that  
two children had been stolen under  
similar circumstances at the other end  
of the State—Cape May.

They are Jack Woodland, 3½ years  
old, and Margaret Woodland, 2 years  
old, the children of Mrs. Robert Em-  
met Woodland of 511 Hughes street,  
Cape May. They disappeared on  
Thursday. Their mother is a grand-  
niece of John Wilbraham, a retired  
Philadelphia manufacturer who lives in  
Myrtle avenue, West Cape May, and  
is locally reputed to be worth half a  
million dollars. Like the mother of the  
Torrens baby, Mrs. Woodland has been  
living apart from her husband. She  
said yesterday that she left him a  
year and a half ago and that he is  
now supposed to be working for the  
Terminal Railroad in Atlanta, Ga.

Two strangers, known as Mr. and  
Mrs. Henry James of Richmond, Va.,  
on Hughes street, about a month ago.  
They made friends with the children on  
the beach. In that way they became  
acquainted with the children's mother.  
It got so that Mrs. Woodland and Mrs.  
James went to the movies together on  
an evening, leaving Jack and Margaret  
with Mr. James.

**Took Children to Beach.**  
The Jameses took the boy and girl to  
the beach on Thursday morning and  
did not return. Mrs. Woodland, going to  
Sunnyside Villa, found that Mr. and  
Mrs. James had the Cape May police  
send out warnings to other cities of  
the East and South. Capt. Howard  
Smith of Schellenger's Landing told her  
he took two men and a woman and  
two children in his yacht to Leves  
del, on Thursday afternoon. His de-  
scription of the second man in the party  
makes Mrs. Woodland think he may  
have been her husband. Suspecting that  
the children have been taken to Atlanta,  
she left for that city yesterday after-  
noon, but the Cape May police believe  
that whoever has the children will stay  
in hiding in Delaware or Maryland for  
a while. Mrs. Woodland said an at-  
tempt to kidnap the children was made  
last year while she was in Tampa, Fla.  
It is rumored in Cape May that John  
Wilbraham, their mother's grandfather,  
who is 81 years old, owned \$25,000,000  
and that he had been found dead in  
each of the children not long ago and  
that the persons who ran off with them  
were aware of this.

The whereabouts of the nine-month-  
old baby and of her father, Alfred Tor-  
rens, and the three other men who  
helped him bear off the baby after one  
of the men knocked down the mother  
at the Simpson home, Pompton Lakes  
on Thursday remained unknown to the  
searchers yesterday. Apparently, no one  
has been found who saw Torrens's  
sporty blue motor car after it  
raced away from the Simpson place,  
leaving the baby's mother and grand-  
mother crying for help on the hill. The  
chase kept Bert Miller, chief of the  
Pompton Lakes police, among the  
Ramapo hills near the New York and  
New Jersey line all Thursday night, but  
whatever clue he thought was there  
proved vain, for the time being at least.

**To Watch Boats for Cuba.**  
The mother of Torrens, who is sum-  
mering near Green Pond, continued to  
search for her son. There were no  
sailings for Havana yesterday. The  
Henry R. Mallory of the Ward Line and  
the Tulosa of the United Fruit Line will  
sail to-day. Watch will be kept at both  
piers.

Three John Doe warrants, charging  
the companions of Torrens with atro-  
cious assault upon Mrs. Torrens, were  
served to Chief Miller of Pompton Lakes  
yesterday and knew nothing of any  
sailings for Havana. Residents of Pompton  
Lakes are excited by the taking of the  
baby, especially in view of the fact that  
it had not been seen and separation from  
the mother may endanger its life.

Jacob Van der Clock, a Paterson law-  
yer, told the police yesterday that Tor-  
rens came to him several months ago  
not long after the separation of Mr. and  
Mrs. Torrens, which took place in Janu-  
ary, and asked how he could get back  
his wife. The lawyer could not help  
him. On the way out of the office, ac-  
cording to the lawyer, Torrens got into  
conversation with two of the lawyer's  
clerks and offered to pay them if they  
would help him recover his wife and  
child. The Paterson police have talked  
with the clerks, to what effect is not  
known. Chief Miller of Pompton Lakes  
thinks he has a line on the identity of  
at least one of the four kidnappers.

## U. S. Mission in Berlin Loses Courier Service

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New York Herald Bureau,  
Berlin, July 8.  
THE American mission in Ber-  
lin, the head of which is Ellis  
Dreisler, has been cut off from  
outside courier communication  
since July 1. The belief is ex-  
pressed here that this is one  
phase of the recent Congress-  
sional economy campaign, and  
the American officials here do  
not know how communication  
service with Paris and Wash-  
ington is to continue.

## FIGHT'S UNTIL DEATH IN BARRICADED HOME

John Gruhacz Has Battle With  
Dozen Cops and Firemen in  
Bloomfield, N. J.

SCRAP LASTS ONE HOUR  
Kills Himself After Attempt  
Is Made to Flood Him Out  
of Home.

John Gruhacz shot and killed him-  
self late yesterday afternoon in Bloom-  
field, N. J., after he had barricaded  
himself in a one-story frame building  
in 488 Broad street and had stood off  
a dozen firemen and policemen for  
almost an hour. Gruhacz fired twelve  
shots at the firemen and policemen  
and the crowd that gathered to watch  
the fight, but none of them took effect.

The building in which the man  
killed himself is occupied by a dry  
goods store conducted by his wife, Mrs.  
Caroline Gruhacz, from whom he had  
been separated for some time. Yester-  
day afternoon Mrs. Gruhacz saw her  
husband, drunk, approaching the store,  
and she believed he was coming to  
harm her. She took her eight-month-  
old baby and went to the home of a  
neighbor, Mrs. Martha Wyman, who  
telephoned to the police.

Chief Collins sent Sergeant Huddy and  
Patrolman Collins to arrest Gruhacz, but  
in the meantime the man had locked the  
doors and windows and barricaded them.  
Patrolman Collins tried to force open the  
front door, but Gruhacz shot at him.  
The bullet missed. Collins retired to an-  
other building for protection. Gruhacz  
then went to a window and shot at Ser-  
geant Huddy, who was standing in front  
of a store across the street.

Sergeant Huddy then telephoned to  
Fire Chief Koerber to send the hose com-  
pany, and also asked Chief Collins for  
more policemen. Excelsior Hose Com-  
pany No. 3 went to the house, as did  
Patrolmen Barry, Tappan and Stock.

As soon as the firemen reached the  
house they began pouring streams of  
water against the windows of the build-  
ing, hoping to smash the glass and flood  
the structure so that Gruhacz would  
have to run out where he could be ar-  
rested or shot. Gruhacz appeared at the  
window several times while this was go-  
ing on and fired ten more shots, while  
the policemen returned the fire from the  
sidewalk. A large crowd gathered to  
watch, but left for shelter as soon as  
Gruhacz began shooting from the win-  
dows.

After forty-five minutes Patrolman  
Stock went to the rear of the house and  
shouted to Gruhacz in Polish. The man  
replied:  
"I will never leave this house alive!"

"There was no need for a few moments  
after that, and then another shot was  
heard. Sergeant Huddy went to the  
front door, broke it down and entered  
the house. He found Gruhacz sitting on  
an overturned wardrobe with his head on  
his left hand and a revolver in the right  
hand. He was dead from a bullet wound in  
the right temple.

## RARE INSECT 'LANTERNS' FOUND IN CONNECTICUT

Fireflies Are So Big One Is  
Enabled to Read a Book.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
Hartford, Conn., July 8.—Several  
specimens of fireflies one and one-half  
inches long and a quarter inch wide  
have been found in the vicinity of Terry-  
ville. The insect gave forth a brilliant  
glow and was found in a book. The  
specimens are of a rare variety and are  
valuable to read a book printed in  
average sized type.

Nine specimens, besides the head, make  
up the body. Along the side and back  
each segment bears a luminous spot giv-  
ing a bright light. The State entomolo-  
gist declares that this species belongs to  
the Lampyridae and to the genus phenax,  
and that females are among the  
most beautiful of all luminous insects  
and very rare.

## LIVE WIRE KILLS CROW; BLAZING BIRD FIRES HAY

Falls Into Field and Causes  
Crop to Ignite.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 8.—A crow  
slighted on a heavily charged electric  
wire of the Niagara Power Company  
yesterday and was instantly killed, fall-  
ing a blazing mass into a field of uncut  
hay belonging to a nearby farmer. The  
fire spread rapidly, and the hay was  
burned to a crisp. The crow was found  
dead, and the fire was extinguished by  
several hundred dollars, and for a  
time threatened adjoining wheat fields  
whose uncultivated crops are estimated to  
be worth several thousands.

## U. S. PERMITS LANDING OF CABLE AT MIAMI

Western Union Co. Wins Plea  
After a Long Fight.

## CONGRESS TO SHELVE BONUS AND HURRY UP ON TAX AND TARIFFS

Majorities in Both Houses  
Recognize Wisdom of  
Harding's Demand.

EVENTUALLY TO PASS  
Members to Devote Every  
Energy to Real Purposes  
of the Extra Session.

McCUMBER NO INSURGENT  
Senate Sponsor Still Fights  
for Bonus, but Will Not Be-  
come Obstructive.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
New York Herald Bureau,  
Washington, D. C., July 8.  
The soldiers' bonus bill will be recom-  
mended to the Senate Finance Com-  
mittee and held there until the financial  
condition of the Government and the  
country warrant action upon it, ac-  
cording to all indications to-day.

The appeal yesterday of President  
Harding to his former colleagues,  
coupled with the solemn warning of  
Secretary of the Treasury Mellon that  
passage now of a bonus bill would be  
disastrous to all concerned, seems to  
have had the desired effect. House  
leaders also expressed a willingness to  
cooperate with the President.

Leaders in the Senate have can-  
vassed the situation and now believe  
that whenever President Harding asks  
for further delay in action on the  
bonus bill it will be granted by a sub-  
stantial majority.

President Harding indicated to-day  
that early next week he either will ad-  
dress Congress in person or send a mes-  
sage to both houses telling them the  
bonus bill should be side tracked and  
that the legislative programme of the  
session should be confined, so far as  
possible, to the purposes for which it  
was called—revision of the revenues and  
the tariff.

**Senate Quits Until Monday.**  
It is said that of the fifty-three Sena-  
tors now present in Washington at least  
forty-three, and possibly more, have  
agreed to accede to the President's re-  
quest on the bonus bill. Action will  
not be taken, however, until the re-  
ceipt of the message. The Senate ad-  
journed to-day until Monday in expec-  
tation that matters will be forced to  
beard soon after it meets again next  
week.

Republican leaders of the House stated  
they approved Mr. Harding's pro-  
gramme for deferment of the bonus bill  
and speeding the tariff and revenue  
measures. They have determined to de-  
vote all energy to prompt enactment of  
the tax and tariff bills from now on  
and believe this alone will prevent ac-  
tion on the bonus bill at this session.

Although sentiment for the bonus bill  
in the House is almost overwhelming,  
leaders have assurances that in the  
present situation the most ardent bonus  
advocates will agree to postponement  
of the measure until next session be-  
cause of the pressing need for tariff  
and revenue revision. This is taken to  
indicate that matters will be forced to  
beard soon after it meets again next  
week.

The Ways and Means Committee,  
which is overburdened with work on the  
tariff and revenue bills, is expected to  
consider the bill after it comes from  
the Senate, and this cannot be done  
until after the former bills have been  
completed. The earliest possible  
action on the bonus measure would be  
late in October, one leader said.

Senators said to-day they have re-  
ceived no word from the President's  
cabinet and telegrams that the country  
has reacted favorably to the Presi-  
dent's suggestions, both as to defer-  
ring action on the bonus bill and to  
having revenue revision completed in  
advance of the tariff revision. This,  
with the President's personal influence,  
seems to have turned the tide.

## McCUMBER CONTINUES FIGHT

Senator McCumber (N. D.), in charge  
of the bonus bill, although continuing  
the fight for the measure in the Senate  
to-day, has modified his stand in  
regard to revenue revision. Parts  
of his address indicated that he realizes  
the probable reversal of sentiment  
among his colleagues and that he is  
prepared to accept conditions may re-  
quire that he postpone payment. We  
may differ about that, but that has no  
bearing on the righteousness of the matter.  
It merely brings up the question of  
time when it ought to be passed.

"The editorial was heartening," said  
one Senator, "but after all we have  
something better to cheer us up. We  
have the votes to recommend the bill."

In his continued discussion of the  
bonus bill, Mr. McCumber stressed the  
fact that the President is committed  
to "the justice of the claim" for ad-  
justed compensation, the more eupho-  
nistic title by which the North Dakota  
State report describes the measure.  
"I'm going to assume that the Presi-  
dent wants to do justice just as soon  
as he can do it," said Mr. McCumber.  
"I admit that conditions may require  
that we postpone payment. We may  
differ about that, but that has no bear-  
ing on the righteousness of the matter.  
It merely brings up the question of  
time when it ought to be passed."

Mr. McCumber made it plain that he  
does not wish to appear in the light  
of an insurgent against the President.  
He boasted of conditions may require  
that while he might differ in some  
things with his party he always was  
ready to submit his opinion to the  
majority.

## BOOTLEGGERS KILLS DEPUTY

UTICHA, July 8.—Deputy Sheriff  
Charles Kammerlohr was shot and in-  
stantly killed by two bootleggers in this  
city at an early hour this morning.  
Both bootleggers were wounded and are  
in the hospital.

# TRUCE IN IRELAND MONDAY; DE VALERA ACCEPTS CALL TO CONFER WITH PREMIER

Lloyd George Believes Ne-  
gotiations Will Be Jeop-  
ardized if Violence  
Continues.

LONG DUBLIN PARLEY  
Sinn Fein and Unionists'  
Chiefs Are Visited by Sir  
Nevil Macready, Whom  
Crowd Cheers.

PEOPLE IN FRENZY OF JOY  
"We Have Succeeded and Real-  
ized Our Highest Hope," Earl  
Midleton Assures Lord  
Mayor O'Neill.

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DUBLIN, July 8.—Eamonn de Valera  
will go to London to meet Premier  
Lloyd George and will try with him  
to bring peace to Ireland. A truce  
in the Irish warfare will begin Mon-  
day and will continue during the  
negotiations.

The intention of De Valera to at-  
tend the London conference was con-  
tained in a letter the Republican  
leader sent to the Prime Minister to-  
day. The news of the truce was  
made known by the publication of a  
letter written by Lloyd George to  
Lord Midleton, one of the southern  
Unionists who attended to-day's con-  
ference with the Irish Republicans.

**Lloyd George's Letter.**  
Mr. Lloyd George said:  
"The Government fully realize  
it would be impossible to conduct  
negotiations with any hope of  
achieving satisfactory results if  
there is bloodshed and violence in  
Ireland. It would disturb the at-  
mosphere and make the attain-  
ment of peace difficult."

"As soon as we hear Mr. de  
Valera is prepared to enter into  
conference with the British Gov-  
ernment and to give instructions  
to those under his control to cease  
from all acts of violence we should  
give instructions to the troops and  
police to suspend active operations  
against those who are engaged in  
this unfortunate conflict."

The participants in to-day's com-  
ference were the same as that of  
Monday—Mr. de Valera, Arthur Grif-  
fith, founder of the Sinn Fein, and  
four of the southern Unionists, Earl  
Midleton, Sir Maurice Dookrell, Sir  
Robert Henry Woods and Andrew  
Jameison.

Mr. de Valera was the first to ar-  
rive. He was loudly cheered, as were  
all the other conferees upon their ar-  
rival, by the large crowd which had  
gathered about the Mansion House.

**Pass Day in Conference.**  
For six hours this morning and  
afternoon the Irish leaders conferred.  
At 4 o'clock they adjourned and then  
met again later and continued the  
discussion until 8 o'clock to-night,  
when De Valera sent his reply to the  
Prime Minister agreeing to meet him  
in London.

The first startling development  
came at 5 o'clock, when a British of-  
ficer made his way through the crowd  
and entered the Mansion House. A  
little later a motor car drove up bear-  
ing Sir Nevil Macready, commander  
in chief of the Crown forces in Ire-  
land. He was not escorted by sol-  
diers and thus for the first time the  
commander of the military forces in  
Ireland was cheered and cheered to  
the echo by the great crowd. It  
must be admitted that some of the  
innocent spectators mistook him for  
Gen. Smuts, but even those who knew  
cheered lustily, and hats were thrown  
into the air.

Sir Nevil stayed nearly an hour and  
then drove away to the accompani-  
ment of a similar demonstration, for  
on second view the crowd had no  
doubt as to his identity. He returned  
shortly before 8 o'clock, and after re-  
maining in conference for a few min-  
utes departed, accompanied by Lord  
Midleton and the other South Ireland  
Unionists.

**His Visit a Surprise.**  
The presence of Gen. Macready  
came as a surprise. It was apparent  
when the session adjourned that the  
Unionist conferees had gone to con-  
sult some outside interests. It was  
generally supposed that they had com-  
municated with London.

Such cheers have not been heard in  
Dublin for many years and they were  
cheers not only of hope but of good  
will from the Irish people, who have  
suffered so much. They have known  
and seen Gen. Macready for a long  
time, but this time he came to them  
on an errand of peace and walked  
through a lane made by members of  
the Royal Irish Constabulary in plain  
clothes who mingled with the crowd  
themselves. At one time the crowd  
was standing bareheaded reciting the  
Rosary and he removed his hat in  
passing the kneelers.

The conference broke up at 8 o'clock.

## REDUCED ARMAMENTS BRITISH EMPIRE POLICY

Premier Hughes Predicts Pact  
With Japan and U. S.

LONDON, July 9 (Saturday).—Reduction  
of armaments is regarded by the  
dominion conference as the cornerstone  
of empire policy and "friendly under-  
standing with America" is essential to  
that policy. The Australian Premier,  
William Morris Hughes, makes this  
declaration in a cablegram, according to  
a Melbourne despatch to the London  
Times.

The message says: "All is going very  
well. The conference at present is deal-  
ing with the Anglo-Japanese policy.  
Despite the complexity of the question  
and the different aspects of this indi-  
vidual dominions, I have hopes that we  
shall achieve what is best for the in-  
terests of Australia. The suicidal policy  
of increasing armaments, in the circum-  
stances, can only by an amicable ar-  
rangement between America, Japan and  
the British Empire."

It was officially stated this afternoon  
that the United